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TO: Commissioners; TA & FS Directors; WMS Coordinators; CAP Coordinators; Medical Assistance Directors, Child Support Directors

FROM: Russell Sykes, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Employment & Transitional Supports

SUBJECT: Food Stamp Budgeting Reminder: Increased Standard Utility Allowances

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 1, 2006

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The purpose of this GIS is to remind districts that Standard Utility Allowances (SUA) will increase effective February 1, 2006. ABEL transmittal 05-7 addresses the Food Stamp Utility Allowance increase in detail.

Beginning February 1, 2006 the following SUA amounts go into effect:

| | <u>Heating/Air Conditioning</u> | <u>Other Utility</u> |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| New York City | \$577 | \$256 |
| Nassau & Suffolk County | \$543 | \$238 |
| Rest of State | \$478 | \$222 |

Telephone SUA for all counties remains unchanged at \$33.